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49. An arrangement according to claim 11 wherein:  
said digital data are protected via an arrangement of said arithmetic and  
logic unit, and  
said digital data are processed in accordance with a network  
management protocol.

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50. An arrangement according to claim 12 wherein:  
said digital data are protected via an arrangement of said arithmetic and  
logic unit, and  
said digital data are processed in accordance with a network  
management protocol.

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**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

On page 17, cancel lines 3-5;  
in line 9, cancel "are specified. In the method," and substitute --  
implement-- therefor; and  
in line 10, cancel "is".

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**REMARKS:**

The present Amendment revises the specification and claims to conform  
to United States patent practice, before examination of the present PCT  
application in the United States National Examination Phase. All of the  
changes are editorial and no new matter is added thereby.

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The following changes are not intended to be a surrender of any of the  
subject matter of the claims:

- the amendment of claims 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, and 12
- the cancellation of claim 4, and the substitution of claims 21,  
22, and 23 therefor
- the cancellation of claim 5 and 6, and the substitution of

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claims 24, 25, and 26 therefor

- the cancellation of claim 7, and the substitution of claims 27, 28, and 29 therefor
- the cancellation of claim 8, and the substitution of claims 30, 31, and 32 therefor
- the cancellation of claim 9, and the substitution of claims 33, 34, and 35 therefor
- the cancellation of claim 13, and the substitution of claims 36, 37, and 38 therefor
- the cancellation of claims 14 and 15, and the substitution of claims 39, 40, and 41 therefor
- the cancellation of claim 16, and the substitution of claims 42, 43, and 44 therefor
- the cancellation of claim 17, and the substitution of claims 45, 46, and 47 therefor
- the cancellation of claim 18, and the substitution of claims 48, 49, and 50 therefor

Early examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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